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Juring periods of heavy traffic they frequently detain leng-distance travelers for detailed subsequent interrogations; an even more frequent practice is to schedule interrogations of individual travelers for periods of light traffic.

- 6. Questic s most frequently asked during interrogations include the following:
 - a. are US troops stationed at your place of residence? In what barracks? In what strength?
 - b. with what types of tanks are they equipped and in what numbers?
 - c. That are the numerical troop unit designations?
 - d. Did any new US troops arrive lately?
 - e. There are Weste in forces being concentrated in the Cestern Acnes of Cermany?
 - f. That is the attitude of the population toward the remilitalization of Lectorn Germany?
 - go what is the mood of the population?
 - h. How many unemployed live in your place of residence?
 - i. That is the mood of the unemployed?
- 7. Travelers from industrial areas of lestern Germany are interrogated concerning the production of individual factories; of particular interest in machine and motor vehicle factories. The closing question frequently is: "Do you know any persons who are unsympathetic toward the Povint Zone German Memocratic Aepublic (DDR) or who are working against it?"
- 8. German-speaking Soviet military personnel wearing civilian clothes or Soviet officers in uniform accompanied by interpreters appear at irregular intervals at the check points in the Soviet Zone of Germany. They are believed to be members of the MGB. In a number of inchances it was observed that interzonal travelers, carticularly those from deep in the bestern Zones were detained by the SSD until such time as the Soviet representatives arrived. Those detained more not intercopated by the SSD derive the period of detention. The questions asked by the Soviet representatives care similar to those asked by the SCD except that normally they Corando more details.
- 9. At the check points at Someberg (F 51/J 40) and Probstzella (F 51/J 52) it was observed that the Soviet personnel invariably case From Saalfeld (F 51/J 53) or weimar. Soviet interrogators observed at the check coint of CutenCherst ap arently case from Flauen (F 51/K 12). FCB interrogators seek out observed to refer to a book or list of any bird.
- 10. Of an errentially different makers are the resources exployed by Levist Mone border control agencies with respect to illeral border crossers, including persons who, for some reason or other, crossed the zonal border ille ally, even though they more holders of interzonal passports. In edictely after being approbanded on the border by Volkspolizei personnel or poviet patrols they are taken to the

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appropriate Volkspelizei border sector headquarters where they are normally incarcerated for 24 hours. On the following day they are taken individually to the SSD official at the border sector headquarters and interrogated. The interrogation apparently is intended to segretate harmless border crossers with a reasonable degree of prometness. Released without further questioning are persons the live near the border or who had merely visited persons residing near the border in the mestern Zones.

- Persons traveling from greater distances or who have visited points of particular interest in Western Germany are detained and subjected individually to the second interrogation. It is known that in some cases persons were interrogated from five to ten times daily over a period of eight days. Questions asked are similar to those asked by the SCD at the check points. Police organizations in Testern Germany names of officers or superiors and installations also have been points of interest in these interrogations.
- 12. Members of the Soviet IS also participate in these interrogations, by interpolating border crossers at the border sector headquarters, having them taken to their offices or conducting interrogations in the prisons themselves. It was observed that at times lists of names are placed before the persons interrogated and the latter are questioned as to whether they recognized individual names of persons from various places. On the other hand no book or diary of any kind was used in these interrogations.
- 13. Labor passport holders from the Soviet Zone of Germany have frequently been detailed by the SCD at the check point because of trifling offenses detected in baggage inspections such as carrying provisions. Such persons were taken to the border sector headquarters by the Vollspolizei. At the border sector headquarters they were interrogated concerning conditions in the border area, US troop units and similar matters. In a number of cases labor passport holders were also taken to the MGB for interrogation. The questions asked there were similar to those asked by the SSD personnel.

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